



State of Arizona

Acupuncture Board of Examiners

February 2009

Newsletter

Mission Statement: The mission of the Arizona Acupuncture Board of Examiners is to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Arizona by regulating and maintaining standards of practice in the field of acupuncture.

Acupuncture Board of Examiners

Toni L. Bennalley, L.Ac. Chairman Professional Member Term Expiration: 1/18/09	Ross Adelman Secretary Consumer Member Term Expiration: 1/18/08
John M. Rhodes, L.Ac. Professional Member Term Expiration: 1/17/11	Della Estrada, L.Ac. Professional Member Term Expiration: 1/18/10
Rebecca Wilks, MD, MD(H) Professional Member Term Expiration: 1/19/09	Vacancy Professional Member Term Expiration:
Joe Balensi, L.Ac. Professional Member Term Expiration: 1/21/08	Toni Karnas Consumer Member Term Expiration: 1/18/10
Diane Pruetz Consumer Member Term Expiration: 1/21/08	

Board Staff:

Pete Gonzalez
Executive Director

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Board Meetings for 2009

January 28, 2009	February 25, 2009
March 25, 2009	April 22, 2009
May 27, 2009	June 24, 2009
July 22, 2009	August 26, 2009
September 23, 2009	October 28, 2009
November 16, 2009	December 7, 2009

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Did you change your office or home address or get a new telephone number?

Please remember that AAC R4-8-103 requires that every person holding a license or certificate shall, within **30 days**, notify the Board **in writing** of any change in mailing address (giving both the old and the new address), email address, or residential, business, or mobile telephone numbers.

The required form is found on the Board's web site under the "Forms" section.

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### Welcome Aboard New Acupuncture Licensees

#### January 2009

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| Marilyn Hardesty-Prater, L.Ac. | William Kwan, L.Ac.          |
| Gary D. Williams, L.Ac.        | Kayo A. Malik, L.Ac.         |
| Sheila A. Condit, L.Ac.        | Holly E. Sparks, L.Ac.       |
| Nobuko M. Pyle, L.Ac.          | Annette M. Raddatz, L.Ac.    |
| Gary D. Marker, L.Ac.          | Toni L. Andrikopoulos, L.Ac. |

#### February 2009

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| Steven E. Schermerhorn, L.Ac. | William F. Vukmanic, L.Ac. |
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#### March 2009

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***Welcome Aboard  
New Auricular Certificate Holders***

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| Amy L. Tilley | Brenda R. Morris |
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## *Board Actions*

The Board is conducting an audit of compliance with the continuing education requirement for 2008-2009 license renewals. This year long audit will select a random survey (15%) of licensed acupuncturists.

The La Paz County Superior Court has issued a permanent injunction against Clark W. Kim. Mr. Kim, from Parker, Arizona, is prohibited from practicing acupuncture until he secures an acupuncture license.

The Board reviewed Complaint #2009-01 re: Della Estrada, L.Ac. for alleged unprofessional conduct. The Board will further review this complaint at the March 25, 2009 board meeting.

## *Approved Continuing Education Course Information*

Diversity and End-of-Life Care presented by the Hospice Foundation of America for 3 CEU's on April 29, 2009 via satellite and webcast.

Introduction to Pediatric Oriental Medicine provided by Naomi Richman, L.Ac. for 16 CEU's on May 3 & 17, 2009 in Scottsdale.

Jesus Standing Qigong presented by Li Junfeng for 12  
CEU's on May 16 & 17, 2009 in Tucson.

Sound Mind Body Qi Gong Healing and Rejuvenation  
Workshop presented by Pam Wallach, L.Ac., for 12  
CEU's on March 14, 2009 in Phoenix.

Integrating Eastern & Western evaluation, treatment and management of lower back pain presented by Dr. Nora Coleman Hashimoto, DC, L.Ac. for 10 CEU's, date and location to be announced.

The Principle and Clinical Application of Tung's Acupuncture presented by Dr. WC Young, Ph.D., OMD for 15 CEU's on April 18-19, 2009 in Phoenix.

**Note: The CEU's listed above are only those approved by the Board. Information about these CEU's are found on the board website. Additional CEU offerings are provided by schools of acupuncture, private providers, and national organizations.**

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### Web Page Updates

The Board's website now includes the ability to download documents associated with practitioner disciplinary actions.

A new link to additional information on continuing education courses has been added.

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## License Statistics

Current Number of Active Licenses: 478

Current Number of Active Auricular Certificates: 58

License Applications in 2009: 10

License Applications in 2008: 57

License Applications in 2007: 55

License Applications in 2006: 55

Certificate Applications in 2009: 2

Certificate Applications in 2008: 15

Certificate Applications in 2007: 23

Certificate Applications in 2006: 24

Number of Licenses issued in 2009: 12

Number of Licenses issued in 2008: 52

Number of Licenses issued in 2007: 55

Number of Licenses issued in 2006: 57

Number of Certificates issued in 2009: 2

Number of Certificates issued in 2008: 16

Number of Certificates issued in 2007: 23

Number of Certificates issued in 2006: 22